# A Shared Vision for Youth

The Departments of Labor, Education, Health and Human Services, and Justice

Creating a Collaborative Approach to Prepare Youth for Success in a Global, Demand-Driven Economy

Session Notes

INDIANA TEAM

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## Chicago Regional Youth Forum

## Product #1

### THE INDIANA STUFF LIST

Employment and Training vouchers Coordinate referrals from Justicementoring, life skills, post training Chafe services ABE in Work One Work keys and Key Train GED and on-line HS diploma Vocational training

Work-based training
Tracking and follow-up
Results of surveying business
Independent living committee
Edinburgh-restructures
Indy- non residential

## Product # 2

### IOWA and INDIANA - BENEFITS OF CONNECTING THE STUFF

- Better services for youth
- More comprehensive services
- Working together makes it easier to keep track of the youth
- Existing resources go further
- Role identification- we're not expert at everything
- Learn about other resources
- More leverage with FED's which can translate into waivers and resources
- More agencies working together increases the chance of meeting performance goals

### Product #3

## REACTION/REFLECTIONS ON PLENARY #1 - IOWA AND INDIANA

- FED's put on the spot -ignored what people brought up
- Message needs to come from top down to locals
- Go to governor's (NGA)
- Employer input doesn't need to be just at the top; need supervisors, recruiters, etc.
- Frustrated; didn't appear that they were all talking to each other
- Performance standards (particularly for older youth) need to be revised
- Liked the idea of a team for each state
- Business industry buy-in
- Private funding
- Didn't like dismissing GED
- Good focus on alternative education
- Performance measures impact the ability to carry out the vision

- Needs more employer input
- Schizo -not enough resources; don't require partners to work together
- Funding for NCLB needs to be reassessed- Structure, requirements, consume large amounts of resources
- Really emphasizes how agencies need to work together and be better connected
- Problem visioning coming from the Dept. of Labor-are other agencies on board?
- Needs a common understanding of what business needs; acknowledge below basic skill level
- Neediest youth need more resources

# <u>Product #4</u> INDIANA SELF INTEREST Exercise

Investor	Self Interests	Results Over next 18 Months
<ul> <li>Employment (UI, WIA, WP)</li> <li>Businesses</li> <li>Adult education</li> <li>Job Corp</li> <li>FSSA/DFL</li> <li>VR</li> <li>Mental Health</li> <li>IMPACT</li> <li>BDDS</li> <li>Food Stamps</li> <li>Justice/courts</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provide youth services and benefits to all</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Gov. convene meeting</li> <li>Resource mapping</li> <li>Training</li> <li>Seamless services</li> <li>Examples</li> <li>Results on-line</li> <li>Resources identified</li> <li>Shared information</li> <li>FAQ's</li> </ul>

## Product #5 a

## THEMES FROM THE INDIANA YOUTH VISION DRAWING

- Youth Bureau
- Judge Pratt
- Juvenile Judges (Judge Payne-Indianapolis)
- Mayor (Graham-Scottsburgh/Peterson-Indianapolis)
- Leg- (Sheila Klinker)
- k-16 Roundtable (Bob Marra, Lomina Foundation- Tina, Jim Casey Youth opportunity
  - Ann Jefferson)

What are the challenges to this new vision? What are some of our potential (collective) responses to move collaboration forward?—

## Product #5b

Challenges	Potential Responses
<ul> <li>Pulling together</li> <li>Working toward a common goal</li> <li>Knowledge of all resources</li> <li>Communication between providers</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Common intake/reporting/outcomes and data sharing</li> <li>Aligning policy and eligibility</li> </ul>

## Product #6 - Team Time #2 - Crosswalk of Statewide Investments (TOOL A) for INDIANA

Measurable Goal: <u>Increased Collaboration among State Partners around Our Neediest Youth</u>

Target Population: Foster Youth

Agency	FSSA	ABE	DOL	Job Corp
Initiatives & Programs	<ul><li>Education and training vouchers</li><li>Chafee</li></ul>	<ul><li>HS diplomas</li><li>GED</li><li>Basic skills</li><li>ESL</li></ul>	Services leading to self-sufficiency	<ul> <li>HS diploma on-line</li> <li>Residential services</li> </ul>
Types of Services & Activities (that you're involved with through the initiatives & programs identified above)	<ul> <li>Funding for post secondary education</li> <li>Case management</li> <li>Room and board</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Funding</li> <li>Employment</li> <li>Transition to further education</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Work experience</li> <li>OJT</li> <li>Post secondary education</li> <li>Mentoring</li> <li>Life skills</li> <li>Job readiness</li> <li>Work keys</li> <li>Work train</li> </ul>	Vocational certification
Partners	<ul> <li>Contracted agencies (DOE,DOL, BDDS,DWD, DMH</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Federal state agencies</li> <li>Local government and agencies</li> <li>Post-secondary</li> <li>Businesses</li> </ul>	•	<ul> <li>Union and non union employers</li> <li>Home study international HS Diploma</li> </ul>
Results	<ul> <li>Self- sufficiency youth with marketable skills</li> </ul>	Performance goals- employment, post secondary education, basic skills	<ul><li>Education</li><li>Credentials</li><li>Employment</li><li>Self-sufficiency</li></ul>	Higher wages

## <u>Product #6 -</u>

## Team Time #2 - Crosswalk of Statewide Investments (TOOL B) Indiana

Overlaps	Gaps	Opportunities for Collaboration
<ul> <li>GED and HS Diploma</li> <li>Post-secondary and/or advanced training/post secondary</li> <li>Education and training vouchers</li> <li>Case management</li> <li>Housing</li> <li>Vocational training employment assistance</li> <li>Assessment</li> <li>IEP/ISS Development</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Sharing ISS/IEP results</li> <li>Data sharing</li> <li>Self-sufficiency for foster older youth</li> <li>Independent youth</li> </ul>	<ul> <li>Provider training on services</li> <li>Marketing</li> <li>Inform captive audience</li> <li>Shared information (assessment results, TABE scores, UI wage records, current demographic information</li> <li>Systems help older youth earlier</li> </ul>

## Product #7

## RECAP AND REFLECTION DAY 1

## Product #8

## KEY POINTS & CRITICAL DECISIONS FOR INDIANA

(No submission)

## Product #9

## Leadership Outreach:

DOE/ABE

Job Corp

WIA

DWD

Foster Care

Needs

W-P (Carol Baker instrumental in accessing work one services)

JJ (Bill Glick)

MSFW (transition, resources-Diane Swift)

TANF (resources, marketing-Beryl Cohen)

IVTC (Dr. Rodney Rich, liaison between secondary schools and community colleges)

IMPACT (Beryl Cohen)

K-12 (Dr. Sue Ellen Reid- stretch resources, assistance with NCLB. labor market information, literacy/numeracy)

IYI (resources-TA, funding-Richard (?)

## Product #10

### INDIANA ACTION PLAN & NEXT STEPS

- Identify partners
- Comprehensive plan for needlest youth
- Pre-meeting in December (e-mal from Jennifer and Jerry to firm up the time, place and set agenda
- Contact additional partners
- Need governor's support
- Need policy maker buy-in
- Satisfy turf issues in self interest
- Analyze funding that is re-sended ??